BART POLICE CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directions **DATE:** June 19, 2020

FROM: BPCRB Members Armstrong, Gomez, Longmire, Mensinger, Perezvelez,

Rizk, D. White, and W. White.

SUBJECT: Statement from the BART Police Citizen Review Board - Regarding the Tragic

Murder of George Floyd

The BART Police Department Citizen Review Board denounces, in the strong possible terms, the needless and tragic murder of George Floyd, and hereby affirms that his life and all black lives matter.

Mr. Floyd's death has understandably deepened public distrust in law enforcement around the country, including in the communities that our members represent.

The BART Police Department Citizen Review Board was created after the death of Oscar Grant as part of a system of civilian oversight that "promotes integrity and encourages systemic change and improvement in the police services that [BART] provides to the public."

Although the BART Police Department has made many significant reforms since Mr. Grant's death, we have a duty to continue to advocate for greater change and improvement. We hear the call from our communities for dramatic changes to policing, and we as a Board commit to explore and advocate for structural changes to the way public safety is guaranteed throughout the BART system.

We welcome and encourage public participation and input, as well as collaboration with other stakeholders at BART, in this process.

We reaffirm our commitment to this movement in memory of Mr. Floyd and Mr. Grant.

cc: Board Appointed Officers Deputy General Manager Police Department

